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In re U.S. Patent Application of)
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For: VALVE TIMING CONTROL DEVICE)
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Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents	
Washington, D.C. 20231	

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. §119 AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Sir:

In the matter of the above-captioned application for a United States patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicant claims the priority date of August 28, 2002, the filing date of the corresponding Japanese patent application 2002-249249.

The certified copy of corresponding Japanese patent application 2002-249249 will be submitted as soon as it is received from applicant. Acknowledgment of receipt of the certified copies is respectfully requested in due course.

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